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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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Application No.: **unassigned**

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For: **AUTOMATED METHOD FOR HIGH
THROUGHPUT SCREENING OF
NEMATODES**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Dear Sir:

The above-identified application is a §371 National Phase filing of PCT/US03/32066. Applicants respectfully request that this Preliminary Amendment be entered prior to examination of the above-cited application.

Please amend the specification and/or claims as shown herein.